गुजरात में पुलिस बलों के आधुनिकीकरण के लिए धनराशि

4184. **श्रीमति आनंदी ज. पटेल :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गुजरात को वर्ष 1994-95 के लिए राज्य के पुलिस बल के आधुनिकीकरण के लिए कोई धनराशि आवंटित की गयी है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस योजना के लिए धनराशि वास्तव में प्रदान की गई है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसका कारण क्या है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद मकबूल डार) : (क) से (ग) राज्य पुलिस बलों के आधुनिकीकरण की योजना के अंतर्गत वर्ष 1994-95 के दौरान गुजरात राज्य के लिए 150.18 लाख रू. की राशि अलग से रखी गयी थी । तथापि, इस राशि को रिलीज नहीं किया क्योंकि इससे पहले रिलीज की गयी राशि के संबंध में उपयोगिता प्रमाणपत्रों की राज्य सरकार से प्रतीक्षा थी

Steps for devolution of Financial Powers to States

4185. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the steps Government have taken to consider the question of devolution of financial powers to the States:

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): In its second meeting held on 15.10.1996, the Inter-State Council had recommended, inter alia, that there should be a Standing Committee of the Council for continuous consultations and processing of matters for consideration of the Council. The Inter-State Council had further recommended that the Standing Committee would review and update the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission, especially the vital question of devolution of financial powers from the Central Government to the State Governments.

The Standing Committee was constituted by the Government of India vide Notification No. 7/496-ISC dated 5.12.1996. Item 2 of the Agenda paper of the first meeting of the Standing Committee of the Inter-State Council held on 15.1.1997 dealt with Centre-State Financial Relations, As part of the discussion in the meeting, the Finance Minister placed a discussion paper before the Members for consideration of an "Alternative Scheme of Devolution of Share in Central Taxes to States recommended by the Tenth Finance Commission". During the discussion, the Finance Minister raised the following points:—

(a) What should be the appropriate percentage share of the States of the total divisible pool of the aggregate Central Tax Revenues?

(b) What should be the period of review of this percentage share?

(c) From which date the revision should be made effective?

(d) What should be the status of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes?

The matter was also discussed by the Standing Committee in its second meeting held, on 10.5.1997. The issues relating to the Centre-State Financial Relations are likely to discussed further in the next meeting of the Standing Committee.

Foreign contributions for Political Parties and Organisations

4186. SHRI M.A. BABY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the political parties and organisations who have received foreign contributions during the last three years;

(b) whether Government have any monitoring mechanism to oversee that the contributions so received are being utilised to further charter of objectives of each political party/brganisation; and

(c) whether there have been any instances during the last three years where foreign contributions have been spent for purposes other than the declared and allowed purposes and activities of the said organisations' political parties; if so, the details thereof and action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBQOL DAR): (a) to (c) The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 seeks to regulate, inter-alia, the acceptance and utilisation of foreign contribution.

Section 4(1) of the Act provides that no foreign contribution shall be accepted by any political party or office-bearer thereof. According to section 5(1) of the Act, no organisation of a political nature, not being a political party, shall accept any foreign contribution except with the prior permission of the Central Government. According to section 6 of the Act, associations having a definite cultural, economic, educational, religious or social programme can accept foreign contribution after registering themselves with the Central Government or after obtaining prior permission of the Central Government.

Associations/organisations so registered or permitted are required to submit annual returns in the prescribed form giving details of receipt and utilisaiton of foreign contribution. A Monitoring Unit set up by the Government monitors the receipt of foreign contribution and submission of returns by associations and undertakes inspections, wherever required. If any violation of the provisions of the Act eomes to notice during scrutiny of accounts or inspection, action under the provisions of the Act is taken against defaulting associations.

According to information available.eight remittances aggregating to Rs. 3.75 crores were received by the Indian National Congress from abroad during 1993 to 1995. Certain details have been soughi from the said* party in connection with this matter for further necessary action.

Police Personnel engaged in the ecurity of VIPs

4187. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of police personnel working in Delhi as on 31st December, 1996;

(b) the number of police personnel put of them, who were engaged in security of V.I.Ps.; and

(c) the total number of such V.I.Ps. in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) There were 51,189 Delhi Police personnel in position as on the 31st December, 1996, of whom 3617 personnel were deployed for security of protected persons/VIPs. There are at present 467 such protected persons/VIPs residing in Delhi.

Transfer of Sub-Inspectors in Delhi

4188. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Inspector (Commn.) Delhi Police, New Delhi, Delhi district Operation Room is authorised to transfer/shift Sub-Inspectors from one Station to another;

(b) if so, the name of the authority which has authorised him to do so;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the weekly off is not provided to these operators and no over-time allowance etc. is given to them for attending office on off days; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the